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1. Receipt is acknowledged of subject reports, which are of desired detail, completeness and clarity.
2. It is noted with approval that site "A", adjacent to the original test site, has been found suitable in respect of water supply, right-of-way, telephone circuits and probable availability.
3. Justification will undoubtedly be required for the acquisition of 10 or 12 acres of highly valued land in addition to the 120 acres of the main plot, as against original estimates of a total of 25 acres plus easements.
4. The earliest possible recommendation is required in the event of probable need for American linguists or other personnel in excess of the present Mediterranean Bureau T/O after local recruitment possibilities have been thoroughly explored. It is estimated that between nine and twelve months will be required to recruit, process, train and transfer from Washington offices monitors for most languages within the Mediterranean Bureau coverage range.
5. Please continue to transmit clippings or translations of all press notices which come to your attention.

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